

Application and Validation of Biomarkers → Use of Biomarkers



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What I've heard

- Validation vs. Qualification
 - analytical validation
 - clinical qualification
- Biomarker → Genomic Test →
Pharmacogenomic Test ~ must be clinically
meaningful
- Bridging
 - platform 1 → platform 2
 - preclinical → clinical biomarkers

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What I've heard

- Toxicogenomics: cost/benefit
can we replace costly tox studies with less costly and much faster toxicogenomic studies?



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What I've heard

- Increasing complexity of biomarkers:
DME → Molecular Targets → Tissue Injury Model →
Pattern Recognition ~ ideally: combine multiple markers
- Pattern recognition:

use of biomarkers in clinical setting done since many years (it's the physician's job) ~ longitudinal observations

use of new biomarkers (genomics, proteomics, others)
as a snapshot represents patterns ~ but how can we recognize and use them

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What I've heard

- Need for consortia:

validation (probable to known valid) of biomarkers is too complex for individual entity to perform, requires cross-validation

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What I've heard

- Co-development:

rely more on drug development program to provide the evidence of clinical utility for tests ~ when?

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What I've heard

- New breed of artists: molecular pathologists

for example, today they recognize what tissue they have in front of them based on gene expression profiles ~ does it evolve into disease recognition, efficacy?

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What I've heard

- Move away from black & white

need to move away from extreme views and put genomics into perspective ~ for example, better define sensitivity and specificity of pharmacogenomic tests, justify incremental cost with clear benefit, i.e. clinical utility (Amplichip)

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What I've heard

- Biomarker performance is about risk management

quantitative risk models
decision making
redefining disease

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What I've heard

- New statistical approaches will open up new ways to conduct clinical trials, for example:

$\frac{1}{2}$	0.4	All comers
$\frac{1}{2}$	0.1	Biomarker
1	0.5	

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What I've heard – Wish List Sent to FDA

- New guidances
 1. Drug-Test Co-development
 2. Statistical Considerations
 3. Biomarker Qualification
- List of genomic biomarkers on website

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Different View ~ Business of Using Biomarkers: Herceptin®

Trial Design	With HER2 neu	Without
# of patients	470	2200
Response rate	50%	10%
Years of follow-up	1.6	10

- Savings in clinical trial costs ~ \$35 million
- Income from 8 year acceleration of product ~ \$2.5 billion
- Access to drug from acceleration ~ 120,000 patients

After Press and Seelig, Targeted Medicine 2004, New York, November 2004

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New (Genomic) Biomarkers:
Modesty – Realism – Robust Optimism



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www.fda.gov/cder/genomics